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Robert Morgan Utah State Engineer Water Rights 1594 West North Temple, Ste. 220 P.O. Box 146300 Salt Lake City, UT 84114-6300

Dear Bob:

KEN CHAMBERLAIN

RICHARD K. CHAMBERLAIN

I believe that Kirk Forbush has advised you of the Complaint which the Otter Creek Reservoir and its constituent users (A-L rights in Sevier County) and Piute Reservoir have filed against New Escalante.

I do not know whether the State Engineer will want to be involved in this case but the abstractions of water from the Sevier Basin are more dramatically significant than we had ever thought before we made these investigations of extensive work in the fall of 1999 and then saw the rather astonishing quantities of water that were going out of the trans-basin diversion canal trenched out by New Escalante Irrigation Company.

With all due respect to your office we are sending you a copy of the Complaint together with the exhibits and whatever, if anything, you may wish to do with it. We invite you to give us your advice or your opinion as to our method of proceeding.

The furnishing of the copy of the Complaint and exhibits to you are principally to advise you by the pleadings and the rather heavily demonstrative exhibits the amount of water as well as the excess land disturbance on Dixie National Forest committed by the agents of New Escalante Irrigation Company.

Sincerely yours,

CHAMBERLAIN ASSOCIATES

Ken Chamberlain

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